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In-Situ STEM Sample Preparation

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In-Situ-STEM-Probenherstellung

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Préparation d'échantillon STEM in situ

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[origin: EP1998356A2] A method for STEM sample preparation and analysis that can be used in a FIB-STEM system without a flip stage. The method allows a dual beam FIB/STEM system with a typical tilt stage having a maximum tilt of approximately 60 degrees to be used to extract a STEM sample to from a substrate, mount the sample onto a TEM sample holder, thin the sample using FIB milling, and rotate the sample so that the sample face is perpendicular to a vertical electron column for STEM imaging.

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